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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
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Hongkong, October 17, 1896. 846

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KWAN HOI CHUEN, Esq.
Chief Manager.
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.
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Hongkong, October 23, 1894. 171

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Hongkong, April 10, 1897. 368

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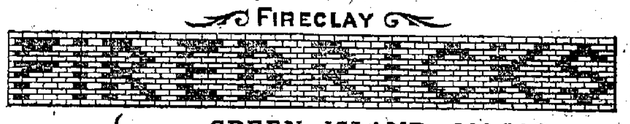

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CHAD. T. KEW.
Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 888

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ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON, an IRISH SETTER DOG, with a New COLLAR (Supposed to be at Kowloon). Answers to the name of 'REX.' Finder will be liberally rewarded on returning to
R. J. HASTINGS,
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Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 910

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

A BONUS of TWENTY PER CENT. upon CONTRIBUTIONS for the YEAR 1896, has this Day been declared. WARRANTS will be issued on the 10th Proximo.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.
Hongkong, April 24, 1897. 835

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN Interim BONUS of TWENTY PER CENT. upon Contributions for the year 1896 has been declared.
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By Order of the Board,
N. J. EDE,
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Hongkong, April 15, 1897. 778

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Auctions.

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 8th May, 1897, Commencing at 2.30 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, (Just arrived from Constantinople),—

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Catalogues will be issued prior to Sale.
On view from *Friday*, the 7th May.
TERMS OF SALE :—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 909

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THE Undersigned has received instruction to Sell by Public Auction, on

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On view from *Thursday*, 6th Instant.
Catalogues issued prior to Sale.
TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

PAUL BREWITT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 907

Intimations.

FOR SALE
BY
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The said Buildings and Lot of Land will be sold subject to the following conditions, viz. :—That they be Rented to the Council for such time as they may require at a Yearly Rental, to consist of a certain percentage to be computed on the purchase-money, and which said percentage is to be stated in all Tenders.

All Tenders to be sent in to the Municipal Superintendent, not later than 31st day of May next ensuing.

By order of the
HIOGO MUNICIPAL COUNCIL,
H. TROTZIG,
Superintendent.

March 22, 1897. 764

To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, May 4, 1897. 912

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Hongkong, May 4, 1897. 911

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Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half-price to Second and Back Seats only.
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A. H. POLLARD,
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Hongkong, May 4, 1897. 913

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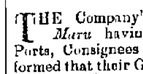

The Steamship *Mogul*, Captain WRIGHT, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 30th May.

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DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 4, 1897. 915

FROM BOMBAY, TUTICORIN AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Hiroshima Maru* having arrived from above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Valuables, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, whence delivery may be obtained.

All chafed or damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company, and sent into this Office within seven days after the Vessel's arrival, after which no Claims will be recognised, and Goods remaining undelivered will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, May 4, 1897. 914

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Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

FALLS OF DEE, British 4-masted ship, Captain J. H. Lock.—Standard Oil Co.

LANDSEER, American ship, Capt. John B. Stahl.—Dodwell, Carlill & Co.

TORRISDALE, British 4-masted barque, Capt. R. Buchanan.—Standard Oil Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

May 4 :—

Kansu, British str., from Canton.

Kintuck, British steamer, 2,881, C. de la Porrelle, Japan April 29, Coal.—HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Mirzapore, British str., 2,168, J. F. Jephson, Shanghai May 1, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Kong Beng, British steamer, 862, F. W. Joslin, Bangkok April 27, General.—YUEN FAT HONG.

Clwden, British steamer, 2,035, Sanderson, Barry March 19, and Port Said April 3, Coal.—NAVAL YARD.

Hiroshima Maru, Japanese str., 2,038, G. Shimadzu, Singapore April 28, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Oceana, German steamer, 1,890, Formes, Hamburg and Singapore April 28, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

DEPARTURES.

May 4 :—

Fushun, for Canton.
Kambira, for Kobao.
Taiwan, for Shanghai.
Haiph, for Nagasaki and Vancouver.
Hyson, for Shanghai.
Glenogle, for Shanghai.
Namoa, for Swatow.
Kansu, for Shanghai.
Oscarshal, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Dogmar, for Swatow.
Deuteros, for Saigon.
Kachidate Maru, for Kutchinotzu.
Hertha, for Singapore and Hamburg.
Formosa, for Swatow.
Independent, for Tjilatjap.
Hinsang, for Swatow.
Ask, for Haiphong.
Frejr, for Hoihow.
Seignried, for Kobe.
Pathan, for Kobe and Tacoma.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Mirzapore*, from Shanghai: for London, Miss Saville, Mrs Talbot, Miss Kolkobeck, Mr J. Anson, Miss Lloyd, Miss Wells, and Mr C. Hall; for London via Marseilles, Rev. and Mrs A. Foster and 3 children, and 1 Chinese.

Per *Kong Beng*, from Bangkok, 9 Chinese.

Per *Hiroshima Maru*, from Singapore, 4 Chinese.

Per *Oceana* from Singapore, Mr Frigast, and 64 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Namoa*, for Foochow, Mr Balloch.

TO DEPART.

Per *Hertha*, for Singapore, Mr and Mrs Ahrenkiel, Messrs Harms, Regge, and Rossolor.
Per *Deuteros*, for Saigon, 100 Chinese.
Per *Formosa*, for Swatow, 200 Chinese.
Per *Hinsang*, for Swatow, 250 Chinese.
Per *Ask*, for Haiphong, 107 Chinese.
Per *Frejr*, for Hoihow, 150 Chinese.
Per *Pathan*, for Kobe, 13 Chinese.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Australian Ports	Chingtu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 18, at 3 p.m.
Australian Ports	Omi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	May 21, at 4 p.m.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	May 25, at 9 a.m.
Hamburg and London	Sarpedon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 13.
Japan Ports	Ancona (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	May 7, at noon.
L'don, H're and H'burg	Aden (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About May 18.
London, v. Ports of Call	Mirzapore (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	May 6, at noon.
London, v. Ports of Call	Kintuck (s)	Holliday, Wise & Co.	May 10.
London, v. Suez Canal	Antenor (s)	Butterfield & Swire	About May 27.
Manila	Esmeralda (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co	May 5, at 5 p.m.
Marseille v. Saigon	Yangtse (s)	Messageries Maritime	May 12, at noon.
New York, v. Suez Canal	Mogul (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	About May 30.
Samarang & Sourabaya	Shantung (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 8, at 10 a.m.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	City of Rio de Janeiro (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	May 20, at noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan	Coptic (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	May 11, daylight.
San Francisco	Falls of Dee	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai	Loongmoon (s)	Siemssen & Co.	May 6, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	About May 7.
S'pore, Colombo & B'bay	Miike Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	May 11, at noon.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	Arratoon Apcar (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	May 8, at 3 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & T'sui	Formosa (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	May 5, at noon.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Pathan (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	May 5, at noon.
Tientsin	Kweiyang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 6, at 4 p.m.
Tientsin	Nan hang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 11.
Tientsin	Taksang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	May 17, at 4 p.m.
Vancouver (B.C.)	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian Pac. R. Co.	May 19, at noon.
Victoria (B.C.), &c.	Monmouthshire (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	May 15.
Seattle, Washington	Hiroshima Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	May 8, daylight.
Wladiwostock, v. S'hai	Sagami Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	May 7, at 4 p.m.
Wladivostock	Daphne (s)	Siemssen & Co.	May 7, daylight.
Y'ma, Kobé & Nagasaki	Hohenzollern (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	About May 6.
Yokohama and Kobé	Wally (s)	Siemssen & Co.	May 6, at 4 p.m.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Esmeralda* reports: Moderate to fresh N.E. monsoon, weather fine.

The British steamer *Menelaus* reports: Steep Island to Hieshans, light N.N.W. winds. Hieshans to Ocksan, moderate N.N.E. breeze and seas. Ocksan into port, light Northerly winds, and fine clear weather throughout.

The Japanese steamer *Kochidate Maru* reports: Light N.E'ly breeze and fine weather throughout the voyage.

The British steamer *Formosa* reports: Tamsui to Swatow, strong N.E. monsoon and high sea; from thence to port, light various airs.

The British steamer *Hyson* reports: Fine weather with N'ly swell since leaving Singapore.

The British steamer *Glengyle* reports: From Singapore to lat. 9° N., light winds and fine clear weather; from thence to port, moderate to fresh N.E. wind, with moderate sea.

The British steamer *Glenlochy* reports: Fine weather, with light N.E. wind throughout to Padaran; then fresh and squally.

The British steamer *Taichow* reports: From Koh-si-chang to Pulo Obi; fine pleasant weather, with light S. Easterly winds. From Obi to Port, fresh N.E. and E.N.E. winds and N.E. swell, with occasional rain squalls.

The British steamer *Braemar* reports: Left Moji April 28, at 5 p.m., light N. to N.E'ly winds, fine and calm weather throughout.

The British steamer *Fushun* reports: Light N.E. winds and fine throughout.

The French steamer *Hai'in* reports: Moderate E.N.E. breeze and cloudy weather.

The British steamer *Airlie* reports: Leaving Sydney at 1 p.m., April 10th, Brisbane 12th, Townsville 15th, Cooktown 16th, Thursday Island 18th, Port Darwin 23rd, Timor 25th, and arriving Hongkong, at 5.30 p.m., May 3rd. A fine weather passage was experienced throughout, with light winds, and smooth across the China Sea.

The British steamer *Kintuck* reports: Light winds throughout, and fine clear weather.

The British steamer *Kong Beng* reports: Fresh wind and cloudy weather throughout, with moderate sea.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA & TACOMA.
Per *Pathan*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th May.

For YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Mackew*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th May.

For HAIPHONG.—
Per *Ask*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th May.

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—
Per *Formosa*, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 5th May.

For SWATOW & SHANGHAI.—
Per *Taisang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 5th May.

For PAKHOI.—
Per *Haiun*, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, the 5th May.

For MANILA.—
Per *Esmeralda*, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 5th May.

For TIENTSIN.—
Per *Kweiyang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th May.
Per *Taksang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 17th May.

For YOKOHAMA & KOBE.—
Per *Wally*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th May.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Loongmoon*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th May.

For SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, NAGASAKI & WLADIVOSTOCK.—
Per *Daphne*, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the 6th May.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
Per *Ancona*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 7th May.

For SHANGHAI, CHEFOO, CHEMULPO, NAGASAKI, FUSAN, GENSAN & VLADIVOSTOCK.—
Per *Sagami Maru*, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 7th May.

For SAMARANG & SOURABAYA.—
Per *Shantung*, at 9.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th May.

For KOBE, YOKOHAMA & SEATTLE.
Per *Hiroshima Maru*, at 11.30 a.m., on Saturday, the 8th May.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Arratoon Apcar*, at 2 p.m., on Saturday, the 8th May.

For SINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOMBAY.—
Per *Miike Maru*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 11th May.

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, & VANCOUVER, B.C.—
Per *Empress of Japan*, Registration at 10 a.m., Letters at 10.45 a.m., on Wednesday, the 19th May.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.—
Per *Omi Maru*, Registration at 3 p.m., Letters at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the 21st May. (Supplementary on board).

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—
The British Contract Packet *Mirzapore* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 6th May, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—
The United States Mail Packet *Coptic* will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 11th May, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
10 A.M. Registry ceases.
11 A.M. Post Office closes.

HOURS OF CLOSING THE
ENGLISH AND FRENCH MAILS.
When the Packets leave at Noon.

The following hours will be observed in closing the Mails for Europe, &c., by the English and French Packets, when they leave at Noon. The Money Order Office, will be closed at 5 the day before.
8.00 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases.
(Prices Current and Circulars may however be posted up to 10 o'clock if they are tied in bundles, country by country, with the addresses all one way).
10.00 A.M.—Registry ceases.
10.30 A.M.—Posting of Newspapers, Books, and Patterns ceases.
11.00 A.M.—Mail closes.
☞ LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 11.10 A.M.) *with 10 cents late fee* up to 11.30 A.M., after which hour they may be sent on Board with the same Late Fee.

MONEY LETTERS.—The Post Office decline all responsibility for unregistered Letters containing bank notes, coin, or jewellery, and, where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses of such letters (Post Guide, Par 39)

LOCAL DELIVERIES.—Separate Boxes have been provided for posting Correspondence for the Town, Kowloon and the Peak. The Boxes are under the Window at the East end of the Verandah facing Queen's Road.

REGISTRATION.—Correspondence can be registered for all Private Ship mails up to five minutes before the time for closing; for the Shanghai or Japan contract mails up to a quarter of an hour before; for mails for Europe, America, and Canada, &c., up to an hour before; for Indian, Northern Pacific, and Torres Straits mails, up to half an hour before.

Letters, parcels, &c., for Kowloon Point and Steamers in Harbour may be posted in the General Post Office up to 11.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m. Letters *from* Kowloon Point may be posted in the Letter Box which has been placed in the Police Compound outside the Charge Room up to 12 and 4 o'clock, and in the Pillar Box at the Wharf. Local Rates will be charged. To avoid robbery, senders of letters *from* Kowloon are requested to cancel their stamps by writing the word *stamped* across them. Covers containing Bank Notes, &c., should be registered. No Sunday delivery.

Letters, &c., for the Peak will be delivered by the 12 and 3.30 o'clock trams only. Correspondence and Parcels for the Peak may be posted in the General Post Office up to 11.30 a.m. or 3 p.m. or in the letter boxes in the cars till time of departure. With regard to letters from the Peak, Pillar boxes have been placed at Magazine Gap, Victoria Gap, Mount Kellett, Mount Gough, and Plantation Road, which will be cleared at 12.30 and 4 p.m.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, May 4, 1897.

OPIUM—	New Patna, cash,	$670
,,	Old ,, cash,	730
,,	New Benares, cash,	680
,,	Old ,, cash,	—
,,	New Malwa, credit,	76/780
	Allowance, Taels,	0/80
,,	Old Malwa, credit,	80/830
	Allowance, Taels,	16/24
,,	Persian, Oily, cash,	—
	Allowance, Taels,	—
,,	Persian, Paper tied	610
	Allowance, Taels,	8/16

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, May 4, 1897.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	29.80
Do.	1 P.M.	29.74
Do.	4 P.M.	29.68
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.	78
Do.	1 P.M.	80
Do.	4 P.M.	79
Do.	(Wet bulb) 9 A.M.	74
Do.	Do. 1 P.M.	76
Do.	Do. 4 P.M.	75
Do. Maximum		80
Do. Minimum overnight		73

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—*Formosa* leaves for S'tow, &c.
Noon.—*Pathan* leaves for Tacoma, via Japan, &c.
5 p.m.—*Esmeralda* leaves for Manila.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Sunda* not cleared after 4 p.m. subject to rent.
Goods per *Argyll* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Gerda* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, May 7 :—
3 p.m.—Meeting of Members of The Fire Insurance Association of Hongkong, at the Office of the China Fire Insurance Co., Limited.
Goods per *Dorothea Rickmers* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, May 8 :—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Silk Embroideries, &c., at Mr Geo. P. Lammert's.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Household Furniture, &c., at Mr. Paul Brewitt's.
Goods per *Rohilla*, not cleared after 4 p.m. subject to rent.

SUNDAY, May 9 :—
Goods per *Wally* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, May 10 :—
Goods per *Glengyle* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Hyson* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Vindobona* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Exchange.

HONGKONG, May 4, 1897.

On London—	
Bank, Wire,	1/11¼
,, On demand,	1/11⅛
,, 30 days' sight,	2/0
,, 4 months' sight,	2/0⅛
Credits, 4 ,, ,,	2/0⅛
Documentary, 4 months' sights,	2/0⅜
On Paris—	
On demand,	2.51
Credits, 4 months' sight,	2.55
On Berlin—Demand,	2.03
On New York—	
On demand,	48¾
Credits, 60 days' sight,	49¼
On Bombay—	
Wire,	160
On demand,	160½
On Calcutta—	
Wire,	160
On demand,	160½
On Shanghai—	
On demand,	72⅞
30 days' sight, (private paper)	73⅜
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)	$50.75
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	$ 9.86
Silver (per oz.)	28d.

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A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, April 14, 1897. 773

BIRTH.

At the London Mission Compound, Hiao-kan, on the 21st April, the Wife of GERALD STOCKWELL WALTON, M.B., C.M., of a Son.

☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 5.15 p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 4, 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.
(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

OUTWARD BOUND :—*Taishun*, March 5th; *Takao*, 13th; *Yamaguchi Maru*, 16th; *Thyra*, 19th; *Poseidon*, *Eskdale*; *Melbridge*, 30th; *Cluden*, *Commonwealth*; *Hakata Maru*, 6th; *Oceanien*, *Dordogne*, *Fujisan*, 9th; *Oopack*, *Methven Castle*, 13th; *Borneo*, *Glenesk*, *Hector*, *Glenfarg*, *Oldenburg*, *Natal*, *Afridi*, *Benvoirlich*, *Thekla*, 20th; *Glenartney*, *Radnorshire*, *Gloucester*, 23rd; *Culedonien*, *Marquis Bacquehem*, *Melbourne*, *Pyrrhus*, *Deike Rickmers*, *Kagoshima Maru*, *Nerite*, 27th; *Formosa*, *Tanarica*, *Maria Valerie*, *Bellona*, *Kiushiu*, 30th; *Pakling*, May 3.

HOMEWARD BOUND :—*Benlomond*, March 26th; *Glenogle*, 30th; *Energia*, *Prometheus*, April 6th; *Canton*, *Kriemhild*, *Balmoral*, *Dimed*, 9th; *Ningchow*, 13th; *Java*, *Strathleven*, 20th; *Nestor*, *Sachsen*, 23rd; *Irene*, 27th.

Mails.

The Imp. Ger. Mail s. s. *Prinz Heinrich*, carrying the GERMAN Mails with dates from Berlin of the 5th April, left Singapore on Friday, April 30th, at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 5th May.

The P. M. Co.'s *City of Rio de Janeiro*, the AMERICAN MAIL of 10th April, left Yokohama on Saturday, the 1st May, and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 8th May.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s. s. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Yokohama at 9 a.m., on Monday, the 3rd May, and left at 4 p.m., on the same day, for Hongkong, via Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

The O. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Gaelic*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 21st April.

Steamers Expected.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Bombay* left Bombay for this port on the morning of the 29th April.

The s. s. *Monmouthshire* left Victoria for this port on the 7th April.

The R. L. s. s. *Deike Rickmers*, from Antwerp and Hamburg, passed the Canal on the 27th April, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 20th May.

The C. M. Co.'s s. s. *Pakling*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 3rd May, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 21st May.

*** INTERESTING telegrams by the Australian mail will be found on the fifth page.

THE Band of the West Yorkshire Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess to-morrow (Wednesday) evening :—

1.—Overture ..... { 'Morning, Noon, and Night' } *Suppé.*
2.—Danse des Paysans Russes ..... *Archer.*
3.—Selection ..... 'Princess Ida' ..... *Sullivan.*
4.—Valse ..... 'Mon Reve' ..... *Waldteufel.*
5.—Toreador's Song from ..... { 'Carmen' } *Bizet.*
6.—Selection ..... 'Faust' ..... *Berlioz.*
God save the Queen.

Wm. Geo. Bentley, A.R.C.M., Bandmaster.

A SHROFF who has been in the employment of Messrs J. D. Humphreys and Son for the last two years, was charged at the Magistracy to-day with embezzling a large sum of money during that period by not entering the amounts in the books. Mr C. Ewens asked that the case be summarily dealt with. Mr H. E. Wodehouse, Police Magistrate, sentenced him to six months' imprisonment.

THE British sloop *Phœnix* (Capt. Cochrane), which is to join the China Station, arrived at Singapore on the 26th April from Plymouth. She is a steel copper-sheathed vessel of 1,056 tons displacement, built at Devonport and launched in 1895 at a cost of £61,773. Her dimensions are length 185 feet, beam 32 feet 6 in. and draught 11 feet 3 in. Her armament consists of six 4 in. quick firers, four 3-pdr. ditto, and three machine guns.

AT the Magistracy to-day, Mr H. E. Wodehouse, Police Magistrate, ordered the confinement of a young boy for three years in the Reformatory for snatching earrings. Four Chinese women were walking in company at Yaumati yesterday, and the boy snatched the earrings from one of them and then darted off up a ravine. The woman gave chase, and as the boy could not scramble up the ravine he was captured and handed over to the Police.

THREE gunners in the Asiatic Artillery, stationed at Lyemun were charged at the Magistracy to-day, with committing a serious assault upon another gunner named Bhagad Singh. On the 29th April about 8 p.m. three gunners waylaid Bhagad Singh on the road leading to Lyemun, with the intention it is supposed of stealing a $100 note which Bhagad Singh had in his possession. The three defendants put him down on the ground and not finding money committed an atrocious assault upon him. They then left their victim on the road. Bhagad Singh reported the matter to the officer on duty, with the result that the three defendants were handed over to the Police. Complainant was removed to the military hospital at Wellington Barracks. He states he had a $100 note tied in a handkerchief round his neck, but when he saw the defendants approaching he hid it under a stone, and afterwards recovered it when they had departed.

30 NEW PIANOS just arrived; best makers. Also Cabinet and Cottage Pianos, suitable for the climate. W. Robinson & Co.

IT is reported that Mr Chinda, the Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai, has been recalled, having been appointed Minister to Brazil.

A RUMOUR was current in Bangkok on the 20th April that the King of Siam's yacht *Maha Chakri* had lost one of her propellers and was detained at Colombo for repairs.

HUDSON'S Surprise Party, which is having a very successful season at Shanghai, returns to Hongkong on Saturday, May 15, and will open for a short season of four or five nights, with a complete change of programme every evening.

THE following correction on the 200 yards Range Score of the Volunteer Rifle Competition is forwarded to us :—

Lieut. Maitland, M. G. Co.	30	2	32
Corp. Smyth, M. G. Co.	31	0	31
Gunner Gilchrist, F.B.	28	3	31
Gunner F. A. Seth, F.B.	24	7	31
Gunner Hornby, M. G. Co.	30	0	30
Gunner Shepherd, M. G. Co.	30	0	30
Sergt. Hayward, F.B.	30	0	30

WE note that the total quantity of coal exported from Moji for Hongkong, Shanghai, Bombay, Chefoo, Singapore and Chemulpo, from the 1st to the 17th of April, was 27,425 tons, which is said to be a decrease of 50 per cent. upon the average quantity. The coal sent from Wakamatsu for Moji, Osaka and Kobe, during the first ten days of this month amounted to 97,160,005 catties.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

WE are informed that the French yarn factory at Hanoi, which has been in existence for some considerable time but which can scarcely be said to have been a profitable venture for its promoters, has been leased to a Chinese syndicate for $80,000 per annum. The yarn can be produced by the factory for about $80 per bale, and as the market price is now over $100 per bale the Celestial syndicate may be congratulated upon obtaining a very profitable investment.

THE paper mill at Aberdeen ceased work about a fortnight ago in consequence of the supply of water from it private reservoir having been exhausted. This is most unfortunate, as the mill has been doing very well under the new management and is scarcely able to maintain as output equivalent to the demand for its paper from all parts of China. We believe, the proprietors have held a meeting to consider what steps should be adopted to provide a water supply which is not likely to give out and jeopardise the concern during the periodic dry season. The capacity of the present reservoir is about 40 million gallons.

A FEW days ago, a consignment of Bombay yarn shipped from Hongkong to Haiphong was returned by the French Custom-house authorities who refused to allow it to be landed on any account, 'because of the plague in India.' Other goods, which might possibly have been Indian—but which were not—were also returned to Hongkong. No one can quarrel with the French for adopting every reasonable precaution to prevent the introduction of the dreadful plague, but the authorities ought surely to have the courtesy, if not the commonsense, to intimate to neighbouring ports that certain goods from certain countries are prohibited. It would save the shippers worry, inconvenience, and expense.

YESTERDAY afternoon, Mr J. L. Prosser exposed for sale by public auction twenty-seven lots of Crown land in the resumed area of Taipingshan. The lots are situated in Square Street, Tank Lane, Taiping Street, Taipingshan Street and Po Yan St. The lots varied in size from 13 ft. 4 in. to 16 ft. in frontage and from 42 ft. to 45 ft. in depth. The annual Crown rent was $50 in each case and the upset price varied from $2,016 to $3,039, giving an average of $3.45 a foot, the highest being $4.50 a foot, for three lots in Taipingshan Street, and the lowest $3 for the lots in Tank Lane and Taiping Street. The ground is laid out in terraces. There was a considerable number of Chinese and one or two Europeans assembled at the hour appointed for the sale. Mr Prosser put up each lot in turn, but not a single bid was made.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS:—At *Kowloon*—Kaipan, Krim, Strathallan, Vindobona. *Cosmopolitan*—Coptic. *Aberdeen*—Derwongse.

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A PRIVATE letter published in the native press from Tientsin states that Yang Ju, the Chinese Minister at St. Petersburg, has telegraphed to the Tsung-li Yamên that Russia is about to claim the cession of the three North Eastern provinces, Fengtien Tsitsihar and Heh Lung-kiang from China.—*China Gazette.*

WE learn from a quarter that is in a position to know that Sheng Taotai has been offered Tls. 20,000,000 for the construction of the Hankow-Lu Chia-chen (Peking) railway by the Russo-Chinese Bank upon condition that an Imperial Decree is issued sanctioning the loan and making it a first charge upon the railway stock. The offer is now under discussion, and much depends upon its ultimate disposal.—*China Gazette.*

CAPTAIN J. Peters

THE four folks who were charged with arson in connection with the recent fatal fire in Jervois Street have been discharged. The manager of the shop is still in custody.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, 2nd May, 1897.

THE TURCO-GREEK WAR.

The Greeks have suffered a defeat at Pentepigadia (Epirus), and have retreated to Arta. They have also been defeated at Velestino (Thessaly), and have retreated to Volo.

The Duchess of Sparta, whilst returning from one of the hospitals, was jeered at by a mob and compelled to take refuge in the hospital until her carriage was brought and driven at a gallop to the Palace.

THE POWERS AND THE WAR.

Lord Salisbury has proposed a conference at Paris to discuss the Turco-Greek war.

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory :—

On the 4th at 11.25 a. A depression has appeared over Central China and pressure has given way on the coast generally, particularly between Foochow and Shanghai. Gradients slight in the South. Forecast :—light S.E. and S. winds ; fair at first, but probably becoming unsettled later.

LAWN TENNIS.

CRICKET CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The following are a few results of ties :—

CHAMPIONSHIP.

S. W. Farie beat H. S. Moberly

DOUBLE HANDICAP.

T. S. Smith and J. M. Atkinson (owe 15.3) beat E. H. Beazley and J. R. Gillingham (receive ½ 15).

'A' CLASS SINGLE HANDICAP.

S. Farie (owe 30) beat W. Bullard (owe 15.3).

H. S. Moberly (owe 15.1) beat P. A Cox (owe 15.1).

'B' CLASS SINGLE HANDICAP.

C. E. Hume (owe 15.3) beat F. Collins (owe 15.3).

POLLARD'S LILLIPUTIAN OPERA COMPANY.

Pollard's Juvenile Opera Company opened their season at the Theatre last night by the production of Cellier's popular opera 'Dorothy.' The entertainment was largely patronised by an audience which gave frequent testimony of the excellence of the performance. There is always a pleasing charm about children's entertainments, and one usually attends in a most charitably disposed frame of mind ready to give encouraging appreciation and be forgetful of any shortcomings. But, to appreciate the entertainment provided by the Pollards it is quite unnecessary to be so disposed, for the most severe critic in last night's audience is bound to admit that the production of 'Dorothy' is a marvellously clever performance. The little folks are not mere machines trained in the repetition of phrases, singing of notes and action drill; there was abundant evidence of careful training, but the children also showed a freedom and grace in the interpretation of the pretty comedy opera that was quite fascinating. The singing was beautifully clear and in splendid time. The audience was maintained throughout the whole evening in a state of pleasurable surprise, at the quaint aspect of the little ones, and the many gleams of genuine humour. Frequently during the performance it almost slipped our minds that we were listening to children, so marvellously well were the characters pourtrayed. The principal characters are allocated to very clever little actresses and actors. Miss Elsie Norwood, aged eleven years, is a very capable actress, and sings very sweetly. She established her reputation in her beautiful solo, in the song and chorus, 'Be wise in time, O Phyllis mine,' and was a general favourite ever afterwards. 'Lydia Hawthorne' had a pretty little representative in Miss Jessie Ford, of the same age as her companion, who acted with much grace. 'Geoffrey Wilder,' the squire's scapegrace nephew, was interpreted in a bright and dashing manner by Miss Connie Pollard, aged 12 years, and Miss Annie Moore, a year older, looked the character of 'Harry Sherwood' to perfection. Her singing of the popular song 'Queen of my Heart' was loudly encored. Miss M. Pollard, a smart little girl of eight years, took the part of 'Phyllis Tuppit,' and her lover 'Tom Strutt' was played by Miss Emma Pendleton of the same tender age. Master Alf. Goulding is a genius of a boy of ten years. He has a rare fund of genuine humour and from his entrance, which was particularly effective, until the curtain dropped he kept the house rippling with laughter. His fooling with Mrs Privett, —rendered in a vivacious manner by Miss Flora Rossi (8)—was extremely amusing. He has a wonderful power of facial expression and his acting is extremely clever. 'Squire Bantam' was interpreted with due dignity by Master Willie Stewart. The other characters were in capable hands. The sparkling choruses were charmingly sung. A very clever skirt dance was performed at the opening of the third act by four of the company. The staging of the piece was very pretty, more especially in the second act, 'Chanticleer Hall.' The dresses are lovely, each scene being an exceedingly pretty picture. The performance given last night is sufficient to corroborate the pleasing testimonies paid to the Company both in India and Straits, and ought to ensure crowded houses during their season in Hongkong.

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A ST. Petersburg correspondent of a home paper writes :—Prince Oukhtomsky, the chairman of the Russo-Chinese Bank, has left for China in order to negotiate with the Government for the coal supply of the Manchurian line. Russian mining officials have also left for Manchuria to inspect the the coalfields situated there. According to the statutes of the new railway company, the chief engineer will have an annual salary of 50,000 roubles, and his assistant will receive 30,000 roubles ; the other high officials will be paid from 10,000 roubles to to 12,000 roubles. The works of the line will not be begun before 1898 August.

CONCERT AT THE LUSITANO CLUB.

A grand concert under the patronage of H. E. the Governor, Gen. Black and Commodore Holland was given at the Club Lusitano last evening, by Maestro Cattaneo's pupils, in aid of S. Joseph's Church Organ Fund. There was a large audience, almost every seat being occupied. The Concert commenced with a Chorus and Solos from Wallace's *Maritana*. The chorus was exceedingly well rendered ; the tenors appeared to be particularly strong, but were rarely allowed to give themselves undue prominence, and the chorus generally was performed with crispness and precision. The first solo 'It was a knight' by Mrs Stringer was somewhat weak, probably owing to the very apparent nervousness of the singer. There was occasionally a suspicion of defective voice production, the tone being inclined to be 'throaty,' but on the whole, Mrs Stringer gave a fairly good rendering of her song. In the pianissimo passages, Mrs Stringer was, perhaps, heard to best advantage, but her efforts were slightly marred by the accompaniment, which was rather too loud. The next solo, 'The harp in the air,' was sung by Mrs Mancell, who gave a very sweet and delicate rendering. This was followed by the 'Angelus,' again admirably performed by the chorus. A noticeable feature throughout, not only in the chorus, but also in the orchestra, was the great attention paid to crescendo and diminuendo. There is a danger of this being carried too far, but Signor Cattaneo seems to have attained the happy medium between giving too little attention and too great prominence to this important detail. The Barcarolle 'Toujours dans ma gondole' by the orchestra of mandolines, mandolas and banjo shewed that the performers had thoroughly mastered their instruments. The tremolo was executed in an almost faultless manner, and the tone was full and clear. In the song 'Let me like a soldier fall,' Mr Van Nierop scarcely seemed to do himself justice, and in one or two places his attack was not good, the bad habit of 'scooping' occasionally shewing itself. These little faults apart, however, the singer presented his song in an artistic manner, and certainly pleased his hearers. Miss Alves gave a really exquisite mandoline solo. She displayed a perfect command of all the resources of her instrument, and played in a manner remarkable not merely for brilliant execution, but for highly artistic conception. Great attention was given to crescendo and diminuendo, and the playing of Miss Alves may be safely taken as a model for our local performers on the mandoline. The enthusiastic applause which followed the conclusion of her solo, and the loud calls for an encore, which was not allowed, shewed that the efforts of the performer were highly appreciated. The singing of Miss Carvalho was certainly the best of the evening. She sang in a manner which charmed and delighted her hearers. Miss Carvalho has a marellous voice which has been thoroughly and carefully trained. The trills at the end of her song were wonderfully well executed. An encore was vociferously demanded, but refused, to the intense disappointment of the audience. In Miss Carvalho we have a vocalist who would be enthusiastically received at any concert, and it is to be hoped we may have many more opportunities of hearing her. The first part of the programme closed with a Serenade by the orchestra, but as we have already mentioned its first performance, it is not necessary to say more than that its second appearance was quite equal to the first.

The second part opened with an 'Ave Maria,' composed by Signor Cattaneo. The soloist was Mr J. Krall. The chorus was again carefully rendered, the singers responding promptly to the Conductor, while the tone was richer than in the first chorus. Mr Krall displayed his fine bass voice to advantage, and appeared to enter fully into the spirit of the composition which is now familiar to Hongkong audiences. The trio for two mandolines and guitar, by Miss Lyssaught, Miss Alves, and Miss L. Lyssaught well merited the unstinted applause with which it was received, as did also the Mandola solo by Signor Badolo. Mrs F. Dodwell sang 'Life's Lullaby' in a natural and most pleasing manner,—it was in one sense the most pleasing item of all ; but here again the calls for an encore were not responded to. Mr Grace appeared with Mr Van Nierop in the well-known duet 'Excelsior.' The latter gentleman we have already mentioned, and when we say that Mr Grace was in excellent form, and quite bore out his reputation as a finished vocalist we give no greater praise. The concert closed with a Barcarolle by the orchestra when the usual characteristics of marked attention to expression were again very prominent. The mandolines and other string instruments were well received on every appearance, and it is rarely we have an opportunity of hearing them played to such perfection. The accompaniments were admirably played by Signor Cattaneo and Mr F. Danenberg, with the single exception to which we have already referred.

All the performers are pupils of Signor Cattaneo and the unqualified success of the concert is a tribute to his skill as a professor. We have heard some of his methods criticised, but not even the most captious critic could, after hearing this concert, one of the best we have heard for some time, hesitate to accord to the genial 'Maestro' the very highest rank among musical professors.

MUSICUS.

THE following were the teams selected for the England v. Scotland international football match won on the 3rd April by Scotland by 2 goals to 1 :—*England* : Robinson (Derby County), goal ; W. J. Oakley (Corinthians) and Spencer (Aston Villa), backs ; Reynolds (Aston Villa), Crawshaw (Sheffield Wednesday), and Needham (Sheffield United), half-backs ; Athersmith (Aston Villa) and Bloomer (Derby County), right wing ; G. O. Smith (Corinthians) (captain), centre ; Chadwick (Everton) and Milward (Everton), left wing, forwards. *Scotland* ; Doig (Sunderland), goal ; Smith (Glasgow Rangers) and Doyle (Celtic), backs ; Gibsoff (Glasgow Rangers), James Cowan (Aston Villa), and Vilson (Sunderland) half-backs ; Bell (Everton) and Miller (Glasgow Rangers), right wing ; Allan (Liverpool), centre ; Hyslop (Glasgow Rangers) and W. A. Lambie (Queen's Park), left wing, forwards. Doig decided not to play in the international, and his place was filled by Patrick (Paisley St. Mirren). Bassett and Crabtree would have strengthened the English team but both were on the injured list ; the Scottish eleven was supposed to be weak at back. The match was played at the Crystal Palace, where accommodation was provided for 60,000 spectators.

SHANGHAI SPRING MEETING.

SECOND DAY.—Tuesday, May 4, 1897.

THE CHU-KA-ZA CUP—Value, Tls. 100 ; Second Pony, Tls. 25—For China Ponies —Weight for inches as per scale—Non-Starters or Winners of a Race at this Meeting 7lbs. extra—Entrance, Tls. 5.—Half-a-Mile.

Silverbell 1
Tyrant 2
Ravelston 3

Fifteen starters. Time—1 min. ¼ sec.

THE SHANGHAI DERBY—A Sweepstakes of Tls. 15 each, with Tls. 250 added—For China Ponies, being *bonâ fide* Griffins at date of entry—First Pony to receive 75 per cent.; Second Pony, 15 per cent.; Third Pony, 10 per cent.—Weight for inches as per scale.—One Mile and a Half.

Sammie 1
Montebello 2
Bushey Park 3

Eleven starters. Time—3 mins. 21¼ secs.

THE LADIES' PURSE—Value,...—For China Ponies—Weight for inches as per scale—Griffins and non-winners, allowed 7lbs.—Entrance, Tls. 5—One Mile and a Quarter.

Orwell 1
Blackberry 2
Roitelet 3

Seven starters. Time—2 mins. 49¼ secs.

THE RACE CLUB CUP—Value, Tls. 125 ; Second Pony, Tls. 25—For China Ponies —5lbs. allowed to any Pony not having won a race of One Mile and a Half or over—Weight for inches as per scale—Entrance, Tls. 5.—Two Miles.

Langkat 1
Black Slipper 2
Black Eagle 3

Nine starters. Time—4 mins 42½ secs.

THE CONCORDIA CUP—Presented by the Club Concordia—Value, Tls. 300 ; added to a Sweepstakes of Tls. 5 each ; Second Pony to receive 40 per cent., and the Third Pony 10 per cent. of the Stakes—For China Ponies, *bona fide* Griffins at date of entry—Weight for inches as per scale—Winner of the Derby, 7lbs. extra.—One Mile and a Half.

Rainbow 1
Dagoni Wetr 2
Equinox 3

Fifteen starters. Time—3 mins. 26 secs.

THE MONGOLIAN CUP—A Sweepstakes of Tls. 5 each— For Subscription Griffins of this Meeting—First Pony to receive 70 per cent.; Second Pony, 20 per cent.; Third Pony, 10 per cent.—Winners of one Race 5 lbs. extra, two Races 10 lbs. extra—Weight for inches as per scale.—One Mile and a Quarter.

Orinoco 1
Herald 2
Mavepine 3

Thirteen starters. Time—2 mins. 55½ secs.

THE SPRING CUP—Value, Tls. 125 ; Second Pony Tls. 50—For China Ponies that have never won a Race—Weight for inches as per scale—Entrance, Tls. 5.—One Mile.

Pawmatta 1
Realization 2
Prince 3

Thirteen starters. Time—2 mins. 13¼ secs.

THE French Municipal Council at Shanghai having given notice to the wheelbarrow coolies that on July 1st the license fee for wheelbarrows will be 600 cash per month, an increase of 200 cash having been decided upon, the Superintendent of the Police, instructed by the French Consul-General, sent for all the wheelbarrow headmen on the 29th April and officially notified them of the increase.—*Mercury.*

TIENTSIN reports concerning the railway between that city and Peking announce the near completion of that line and that it has been decided to despatch three trains daily from each of the startings. The fare will be 2,180 *cash*, or at present exchange about $2.40 per trip for each person, who will be allowed 200 catties weight of baggage. Any baggage beyond that weight will be charged for. H.E. Hu Yü-fen, Governor of Peking and Director-General of the road, was expected to arrive at Tientsin from Peking on the 20th April, travelling by train on a tour of inspection.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

MESSRS. H. M. Schultz & Co., who were the last charterers of the American four-masted schooner *Aida*, have received a letter from San Francisco intimating the loss of the *Aida* with all hands. The *Aida* is a well-known vessel in Shanghai, having been engaged in carrying lumber from Puget Sound to Shanghai for quite a number of years. Captain Anderson, who was in charge of her, is highly spoken of as being an able and experienced skipper. The *Aida* was a vessel of 438 tons, and owned by Messrs. Pope and Talbot, San Francisco. She left Shanghai on the 2nd of December last year bound for Puget Sound in ballast, and she was to return to Shanghai again with lumber.—*China Gazette.*

THERE is a report current in native official circles in the North that the new Ministry of War has been consulting with Viceroy Wang, of Chihli, as to disbanding the remnant of H.E. Li Hung-chang's once famous Army of the Huai. Before the war with Japan the Army of the Huai, or the Huai Army Corps, as it has sometimes been styled, mustered in Chihli province and the Liaotung Peninsula alone 80,000 men (on paper) : about two-thirds of that number being the real strength of the Army. When the war began the Army lost all its former prestige, so that when peace was proclaimed desertions, surrenders and assumption of the more profitable profession of brigandage reduced the Corps to less than 7,000 men in Chihli province. Having lost all confidence in their courage and ability the present officers intend to disband and replace it with foreign-trained Brigades.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

THE Tientsin correspondent of the *Mercury* wrote on the 23rd April :—His Ex. Hu Yumai arrived from Peking yesterday and is staying at the General Offices of the Railway, instead of Taotai Sheng's place. One would have thought that he would have called on the Viceroy first, but instead of this Viceroy Wang had to pay him a visit at 6 p.m. I understand that they went into the affairs of the Peking-Tientsin Railway. I also hear that Hu returns to Peking at once to make certain arrangements with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Compradore, Taotai Wu, who is now in Peking about the Chinese Imperial Bank, and Sheng Taotai. Sheng Taotai is expected here at the end of this month. I learn from Peking, both from Chinese and Foreign sources, that France and Russia will supply the funds to build the Peking-Hankow railway line, and that most likely they will supply the engineers and material, and that it will be built on the same principle as the Manchurian line. If this is the case we shall have Russia linked to Peking and Hankow. This report is firmly believed by many of the Chinese officials. Russia is certainly getting a stronger foothold in China every day.

THE SANITARY BOARD BYE-LAWS.

THE TREATMENT OF UNOFFICIAL MEMBERS.

The following discussion took place at yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council on the bye-laws formed by the Sanitary Board :—

The Colonial Secretary moved approval of the additional bye-laws for the regulation of bake-houses as amended by the Sanitary Board.

Mr Whitehead—These bye-laws came into my hands on the evening of Thursday at six o'clock. During the two working days which have since elapsed it has been impossible for me to go into the merits of the bye-laws, and whether the interests of those concerned are adversely affected I cannot say. The bye-laws appear to have been passed by the Sanitary Board last December, and it is indeed passing strange that the Government could not have given the unofficial members an opportunity of consulting those whom we represent. We might at least have had two or three weeks or a month—reasonable time—to consider these bye-laws.

Mr Cooper—I think the Hon. member has got hold of the wrong bye-laws.

Mr Whitehead—They are dated 3rd December.

The Colonial Secretary—I may mention that these bye-laws have been discussed at the public meetings of the Sanitary Board, and if the hon. member had been anxious to ascertain the views of the owners of bakehouses he could easily have obtained copies from the Board.

Mr Whitehead—I submit that Hon. members should have these papers sent them at least a month before they come before this Council for consideration. I am not in a position to vote that these bye-laws be approved ; I shall vote against them on principle.

Mr Bellios—Would it not be expedient to postpone the discussion on the bye-laws for a fortnight ?

Mr Chater.—I would like the whole thing settled at one time. I may mention, Sir, with regard to the bye-laws which are to follow these, that I have been asked by my unofficial colleagues to ask for the postponement of the consideration of these bye-laws for a fortnight. As the hon. member has just pointed out, they were received by the unofficial members late on Thursday afternoon and they are of opinion that they have not had the opportunity of considering them carefully. As I am going to ask for a postponement of the bye-laws to follow, perhaps you may consent to postpone the whole of them.

The Colonial Secretary—I think it would be more in order if the Hon. member would bring forward his resolution when the next bye-laws come forward.

The Attorney-General—I may say that there are only four or five bye-laws, and they cover only about two or three inches of printed matter ; it would not take two or three days to read that.

Mr Whitehead—It is not a question of reading them ; it is a question of having an opportunity of consulting those whom we represent.

The vote resulted in the bye-laws being carried by a majority of five—Dr Ho Kai and Mr Chater voting with the officials.

SANITARY BYE-LAWS—HOW TO COMBAT THE PLAGUE.

The Colonial Secretary moved the approval of the bye-laws made under Section 13 of Ordinance 15 of 1894.

Mr Smith seconded.

Mr Chater—On behalf of the unofficial members I would like to ask your Excellency if you could postpone the consideration of these bye-laws to a future occasion, say a fortnight from now. The reasons for asking for a postponement are that unofficial members were only in the possession of these bye-laws on Thursday afternoon and there has been no time to consider them carefully. These by-laws are not, like the last ones, only a few lines in length, but they are contained in several sheets and they affect property perhaps very seriously, and, secondly, they are of far more importance than those we have just passed. I would ask your Excellency to consider the posponement.

Hon. Ho Kai—I beg to support the motion made by the hon. the senior unofficial member. These bye-laws affect the interests of the Chinese very seriously, and I for one should like very much to have the bye-laws translated and to consult with them. I think it is only fair, whether it is right or wrong from a sanitary point of view, that we should have an opportunity to consult with those we represent before they are passed. As the senior unofficial member pointed out, they are of great length and so far as the unofficial members are concerned they have had no opportunity of meeting together to discuss them clause by clause, and certainly they have had no opportunity afforded them of consulting with their constituents. For these reasons I hope your Excellency will see cause to grant a postponement.

Mr Whitehead—I rise to support what has just been said. I think the request for time to consider these important bye-laws is only fair and reasonable, and it would be unreasonable for the Government to pass these bye-laws through the Council at this sitting, as the unofficial members have not had the necessary time to consider them or to consult with those whom they represent. Why we have not had an opportunity of having these bye-laws several weeks or at least a month ago I do not understand, but I think our request for time is a reasonable one and that the Government will not refuse it. If the Government do refuse it, I submit, Sir, that the mode of procedure now proposed by the Colonial Secretary must tend to bring the proceedings of this Council into the neighbourhood of a farce. To vote on important bye-laws such as these which have come into our hands only two days before the meeting of Council is what I am not prepared to do. They may be the right thing, but we cannot take it for granted ; at all events, I cannot take it for granted, and I submit that those whose interests are affected have a right to be heard. I submit that it would be unreasonable of Government to now force them through Council.

Mr Cooper thought the position taken up had arisen through a misunderstanding. There was very little new matter indeed in the bye-laws before the Council, and he would briefly point out the difference between the bye-laws they were asked to approve and the bye-laws approved by Council on 4th April, 1895. He then explained in detail the variations in the bye-laws. Bye-law 26 was practically the same as bye-law 22. The latter part was new, but he asked hon. members to compare the two bye-laws and consider the circumstances under which bye-law 22 came before the Council in 1895. He could not help thinking that hon. members would approve of the Sanitary Board, by its officers entering premises during the existence of an epidemic to thoroughly carry out cleansing operations. These operations necessitated the removal and destruction of certain material, illegal cocklofts and mezzanine floors if that disinfection and cleansing was to be of any good at all. He referred to the Medical Officer of Health's report concerning the outbreak of plague in 1894, as conclusively proving that if cleansing and disinfection of premises was to be carried out at all the Board must have the power to remove these obstructions. A great deal was heard about the exercise of this power last year, but he thought the agitation was limited to a very few. He did not for a moment wish to refer to the cases which were heard in the Supreme Court, but to what had been referred to on a previous occasion by the Hon. member representing the Chamber of Commerce who said the Sanitary Board was holding itself up to ridicule. The Hon. member brought forward a motion and made a somewhat lengthy speech against the Board. He afterwards withdrew the resolution, but he (Mr Cooper) regretted to say he did not withdraw his speech. The intention of this bye-law was to give the Sanitary Board officers additional powers but not to put them outside the pale of the law. There was no doubt cases occurred at times in which zeal outran discretion, and of course these cases have to be considered and the Board would do its utmost to make good any damage. He referred to some papers which had also been before the Council. During the epidemic of 1894, on the 11th May, the Council approved of bye-law 6, which read —'If the premises so visited or any part thereof shall be found in a dirty or insanitary condition in the opinion of the officer making such visitation, he shall forthwith take steps to have the same thoroughly cleaned out and disinfected, &c.' He laid special stress on the word 'forthwith.' It was generally recognised that any steps taken on the recurrence of plague must be prompt. If parties were going to insist on 24 or 48 hours' notice before the officers of the Board entered their houses for cleansing and disinfection the Board had better no longer exist so far as studying the plague was concerned. On May 6, he had the honour of addressing to the Colonial Secretary a letter on the steps taken to deal with the outbreak of plague that occurred in that year. It set forth the steps which were arranged by the Sanitary Board and also included a report from Mr Crow showing how the additional staff granted by the Government had been disposed of and which included everything which they now aspired to do and which the Sanitary Board, until the opinion of the Acting Attorney-General had been obtained, was under the impression they had powers to do. To that report the senior unofficial member now in Council wrote the following minute :—'On behalf of my unofficial colleagues, amongst whom these papers have been circulated, I wish to express our appreciation of the prompt and vigorous measures taken to combat a possible invasion of the plague. As the colony in general seems to be unaware of what precautions have been adopted, we would suggest that they be communicated to the local press, as also any further steps that may from time to time be taken, so that the community may be assured that everything possible is being done to avert danger of a recurrence of the disease.' On the 21st October, 1895, a further report from Captain Hastings and Mr Crow, who had charge of the inspection and disinfection of the dwellings in the colony, was laid on this table, and in that report the following sentence occurs—'The experience of this year would seem to demonstrate that the disease was nipped in the bud and an epidemic averted by the prompt removal and segregation of the inmates and the disinfection and cleansing of the infected premises. The drastic measures it was deemed necessary to adopt were fully justified by the nature of and the circumstances attending the outbreak.' That report was laid on the Council table in October, 1895, and up to this date no Hon. member had expressed disapproval of the steps taken by the Board in that year. On 6th April, 1896, when the Colony was again threatened with an epidemic of plague he addressed a letter to His Excellency on behalf of the Sanitary Board, pointing out the necessary steps that should be taken, and amongst others were the cleansing and disinfecting of infected premises, and the general cleansing and lime-washing of tenement houses. On that occasion His Excellency granted the staff asked for by the Sanitary Board and in passing the appropriation bill for the last year not a word of dissent was raised by any Hon. member. He thought they were justified in assuming that although in one or two instances mistakes had been made, but in these cases the persons had been compensated where material has been destroyed, the members of the Council have been fully aware for the last two years at least that the Sanitary Board had been combatting with the plague in a manner proposed to be now legalised by the bye-laws, and further they had on several occasions expressed approval of the work that had been done, and under these circumstances it could not now be represented that the bye-laws came before them in an entirely new form. The Sanitary Board had brought these bye-laws up because it was evident that plague existed within the immediate neighbourhood of the Colony, and they asked for the early passing of the bye-laws so as to be able to grapple with the disease immediately on its occurrence. Personally, he thought that any postponement of the bye-laws would practically render useless steps the Board might take to deal with even two or three cases of plague that might occur in the Colony any day. They had reliable information that the plague had broken out at Swatow, Formosa, the West River and Mácao. He was glad to say no case was as yet reported in the Colony, but the Sanitary Board had made preparations subject to the passing of the bye-laws, for immediately grappling with cases that might occur. From the literature published in scientific papers concerning the plague in Bombay, the general opinion would thoroughly endorse what he wished to say on behalf of the Sanitary Board, viz., the absolute necessity of the Board being empowered to enforce the provisions of these bye-laws, and he therefore hoped members would withdraw their opposition to the passing of the bye-laws.

His Excellency said they were all perfectly well aware that he was not desirous of pushing anything through the Council by means of the official phalanx. The only object they had in view with regard to passing these bye-laws was the improvement of the sanitary condition of the colony, and after the very full statement made by Mr Cooper, who was leaving the Colony next week, he would be very glad indeed if the bye-laws could be passed that day. On the other hand, he thought the unofficial members had a reasonable objection, as they could not be absolutely aware of their contents. He therefore did not object, although he did not like to take the responsibility, to posponement of the matter for a week. At the same time, with reference to what Dr Ho Kai has said, that they would certainly affect the Chinese inhabitants, he begged to tell the Hon. Wei A Yuk and Hon. Ho Kai that the measures proposed and which were referred to in the bye-laws must be carried out, and the compulsory visits especially must be carried out, and that could only be done by officers of standing who would give satisfaction to the community. (Applause.) He must say they would have to bring forward these bye-laws and make any amendment if necessary on Monday next, when they must pass them. He could not take the responsibility, with the plague in the neighbourhood of this colony, of postponing all this necessary work now. (Applause.)

Hon. T. H. Whitehead—Will you not give us a fortnight ? If the plague should unfortunately come in our midst I am perfectly certain that every unofficial member will attend an emergency meeting to pass the bye-laws in order to grapple with the plague. These bye-laws require time for consideration and I think that under those circumstances your Excellency might give us a fortnight.

His Excellency—I consider that prevention is better than cure, Mr Whitehead, and I cannot give you longer than a week.

The consideration of the bye-laws was then postponed for a week.

MISSIONARIES IN CHINA.

SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION.

The following contributed article appears in the *N.-C. Daily News* :—The French Consul-General has just brought to a happy conclusion two thorny affairs, which had been hanging over, the one for fifteen and the other for five years. They were two claims of the Roman Catholic mission of Kiangnan. By patience and tact and by Comte de Bezaure's energetic and intelligent conduct of affairs, the missionaries have obtained full redress and reparation for their long-standing wrongs.

Pochen, the scene of the first trouble, is an old and historic city in the farthest north-west corner of the Anhui province, near the confines of the three neighbouring provinces of Shantung, Honan and Kiangsu. Such a locality, as is well-known in China, is the favoured region of lawless bands of marauders. The inhabitants live in something like a feudal state, with house and property surrounded by wall and moat, and no one goes abroad without a gun or lance, and nothing of value is transported without an armed escort. Some fifteen years ago a missionary acquired a piece of property in the city, near a Christian family of two brothers by the name of Kin, in whose house a chapel had been temporarily installed. When the presence of the missionary became known, some prominent individuals, known there as *lien-tsong*, a kind of military chiefs, formed the determined resolution of excluding the foreigner from this city. The people were stirred up to violence, a little hut on the mission's property was burnt, the house of the family Kin was burnt and pillaged, and the two brothers obliged to take refuge in the province of Honan, where they have since died before the settlement of the affair.

When application was made to the authorites for redress, resort was had to the old protext of the rude and ungovernable character of the people of that region, and the affair dragged on for years, not only without a satisfactory settlement but without the possibility of obtaining an entrance into the city. Recently, however, Comte de Bezaure, who for the past year has so worthily filled the post of Consul-General for France, has brought up the claim and urged it with such skill and energy, that a missionary delegated by superiors has obtained full satisfaction, not only for the mission but also for the unfortunate family of the Kins, and a missionary station is now peacefully established in Pochen.

The other affair, of a more recent date, occurred in the prefectural city of Yangchoufu. About five years ago a missionary, after purchasing a house in the city, went to the proper *yamên* to have the transaction registered. He was politely received, but in two days he found that the whole city had been excited against him. He was driven from the city with insult and ill-treatment. A special feature in the attack was the presence of a number of women hired to abuse the foreigner under the immunities of their sex.

The claims of the mission were put off under pretexts of illegality in the purchase, the last of which was objected quite recently when the affair was already in a fair way of being arranged. It came from the prefect of the city, and was none other than the surreptitious treaty clause making a previous notice given to the mandarin necessary for the legal purchase of property by a foreigner. Happily that clause had been definitely disposed of by M. Gérard. The claim of the mission was so clear that Comte de Bazaure was accorded not some other house which he had declared the mission would accept, but the very house legally purchased by the missionary five years ago.

Thus after years of patient and firm insistance, without notable friction with the authorities, the two claims have been satisfactorily settled ; the principle of the treaty rights is saved, and the missionaries with their grievances redressed are established peacefully among the people who had vowed to keep them out.

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A MEMBER of the Lyons Commercial mission in China, writing to the *Débats*, reporting the departure of the Mission from Chungking, states that that city is a very overrated place. The agglomeration of 400,000 people, he says, does not justify the economic hypotheses of the explorers of South-western China. Chungking is far from being an immense *entrepot*, a sort of interior Shanghai, and this fact, he takes pride in stating, is one that the Mission contributed to bring to light. Chungking will never be an industrial metropolis like Hankow and Shanghai. The keys of the Yangtsze—of China—are there. It is Hankow—the Asiatic Chicago—which is destined to become the great interior market,—Hankow, which will join Tsi-tsi-har and Canton. As to Chungking, it is the principal market of Szechuan—let us put it first—and nothing else. This opinion is distinctly valuable ; and we may say we do not feel concerned to controvert it. The trade of Szechuan and South-western China generally is worth having ; no one will gainsay that ; but it will probably fall short of the expectations that have been raised in connection with it.—*L. and C. Express.*

FULLER particulars are now available regarding the death of Sir Egbert Cecil Sanders Sebright, whose death was reported in our issue of April 12. The unfortunate baronet was travelling with Mr Frank H. Carew in the interior of Java, on a shooting expedition. On March 28th he had a sharp attack of malarial fever which was cured by quinine and phenacitin, but he continued weak, and Mr Carew wished him to go back from the expedition. On the 31st he complained of pain over the liver, on arriving at Passangrahan, 65 miles from Soekaboemi, and attempts to get the Government doctor from that place being unavailing, Mr Carew determined to remove him. On April 1st he was carried in a litter to the coast, where he arrived much exhausted, the road being very bad. On the difficult carriage journey towards Soekaboemi, in heavy rain he died, in Mr Carew's arms. The examination of the deceased's body showed his liver must have been diseased for some time, as it was considerably enlarged. Lord Castletown was communicated with, and wired that the body be embalmed and taken to England. After much difficulty the body was exhumed, and will be removed to England in the *Ajax*.—*Singapore Free Press.*

THE *YIKSANG*.

Kobe, April 26.

A telegram in the Japanese papers this morning states that the *Yiksang*, which was reported to have been totally wrecked on Wednesday night last, arrived yesterday afternoon at Moji. The local agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., up to Saturday evening had no confirmation of the statements in the Japanese papers of that day that the ship had been floated, and, according to an interview with Arthur McGlew published in the *Herald* on Saturday evening, there was 12 feet of water in the after hold when the party left the ship, the engine-room was full, and she had so sunk by the stern that her name was barely visible above water.

Arthur McGlew, who was the only European passenger on board, stated that the ship struck about 10.30 on Wednesday evening while going almost full speed. The Chief Officer was on watch at the time. Failing to release the ship by reversing the engines, a quantity of cargo (bean cake) was thrown overboard, also unavailingly. The sea appears to have been far from calm, for the vessel, the account says, was bumping badly on the rocks all night. When day broke a hawser was got ashore (presumably by means of the rocket) and fastened to a pine-tree, and in this way the whole of the passengers, 38 in number, were landed, the Captain, officers and nearly all the crew remaining on the ship.—*Chronicle.*

JAPANESE TELEGARMS.

(From the 'Kobe Chronicle.')

THE PLAGUE IN FORMOSA.

Tokyo, April 22.—During the four days from the 16th to the 19th inst., twelve fresh cases of bubonic plague were reported at Tainan, Formosa. The Home Department proposes to open the quarantine stations at Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Hiroshima, Moji and Kelung to inspect vessels coming from Formosa. A meeting of the Central Board of Health will be held in a few days to consider the situation.

Tokyo, April 23.—The outbreak of bubonic plague at Tainan is spreading very rapidly. Twenty-three fresh cases were reported on the 22nd and 23rd. This has brought the total number of cases up to 68 since the outbreak was reported.

THE WAR AND COMMERCE.

Tokyo, April 22.—Telegraphic dispatches reaching Yokohama state that there is no change in the London market that can be attributed to the outbreak of war in South-Eastern Europe. Lead keeps steady. British Consols have risen to £112. Silver has fallen to 28¾d. Messrs. Essabhoy & Co. of Yokohama, having received an order from the Japanese Government for saltpetre, communicated with their firm at Calcutta and received the reply that large shipments have been made to England and the stock was small. Quotation at Calcutta ranges between $11.50 and $12 per picul. Rice at Hongkong is reported to have suddenly advanced by 20 sen. At Yokohama quotations for foreign rice have risen by 15 sen show an upward tendency.

OPPOSITION TO THE U.S. TARIFF.

Tokyo, April 22.—It is reported that American merchants with houses in Japan are bringing pressure to bear on the new U.S. Administration in reference to the proposed Customs Tariff. They have distributed among Senators circulars explaining the position and drawing attention to the enormous difference between rate under the existing and those under the new Tariff.

INTERESTING TO THE TEA MERCHANTS.

Tokyo, April 26.—A telegram has been received by the Central Board of the Tea Association from the New York branch, stating that the Canadian Parliament has rejected the Government Bill proposing the imposition of an import duty on tea at the rate of 5 cents per pound.

THE Hangchow correspondent of the *N.-C. Daily News* writes :—A matter of deep interest at this time is the opening of a school under government auspices for instruction in English and Western branches of science. $9,000 per annum for three years has been appropriated by the Provincial government to run the school, and the Rev. L. Mattox of the Northern Presbyterian Church has been asked to take charge. He has consented to organise the school and assume the direction of it *pro tem*. It is worthy of note as a sign of the times that the prefect in person visited Mr Mattox and made the request.

ALL the Ceylon Volunteers who are going to England for the Diamond Jubilee will have new uniforms, and will also be supplied with an outfit consisting of two khaki suits, flannel shirts, and an overcoat. The C. M. I. men will wear the same effective uniform we have always seen them in, but the infantry will be arrayed in something quite different to what they have been accustomed to wear in Ceylon. They will join the procession in scarlet coats, blue knickers, and white gaiters, while each man will also be supplied with a grey overcoat. Government will further supply each man with the regulation knife, spoon, fork, &c. The C. A. V. will wear their blue uniform.—*Times of Ceylon.*

IT is announced from Geneva that Professor Dussand of the university there has invented an apparatus to enable the deaf to hear. A mycrophonograph he has just issued magnifies the human voice in the same way a lens magnifies matter. It is simply a telephone connected electrically with a phonograph, but a far more sensitive phonograph than Edison's ordinary model. A battery of from one cell to sixty, according to the degree of deafness, is used. Of course, the apparatus is useless in a case of absolute deafness, but such infirmity is far rarer than is supposed. Ninety-five per cent of our stone deaf persons can be made to hear and understand by Dussand's invention. You speak into the phonograph and make it repeat the words, which are transmitted by a sort of microphone and speaking tube into the deaf ear. Professor Dussand is preparing for the 1900 exhibition an apparatus which will enable

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FROM MIDDLESBRO & HAMBURG.

THE Company's S.S. *Dorothea Rickmers*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 7th May, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th May, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 7th May will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
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Hongkong, April 30, 1897. 871

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Gerda*, Captain T. EHLERS, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th May, will be subject to rent.

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SIEMSSEN & Co.,
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Hongkong, April 29, 1897. 863

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *SUNDA*.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—
From MADRAS, ex s. *Sirsa*.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 p.m. TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 5th May, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 29, 1897. 867

WARRACK LINE OF STEAMERS.

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STEAMSHIP *ARGYLL*.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

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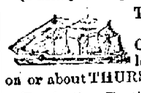

The Co.'s Steamship *Hohenzollern*, Capt. H. BLEEKER, will leave for the above Ports on or about THURSDAY, the 6th Instant.

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Hongkong, May 1, 1897. 877

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STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

The Co.'s Steamship *Prinz Heinrich*, Captain CUPPERS, due here with the outward German Mail about the 5th Instant, will leave for the above Place about FRIDAY, the 7th Instant.

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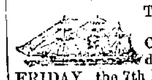

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The Co.'s Steamship *Mike Maru*, Capt. P. H. GOING, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 11th May, at Noon.

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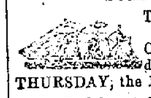

The Co.'s Steamship *Sarpedon*, Captain GRIER, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 13th May.

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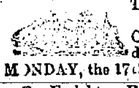

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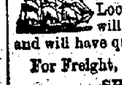

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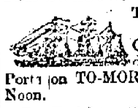

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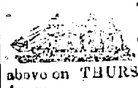

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The Co.'s Steamship *Shantung*, Capt. FRAMPTON, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 8th May, at 10 a.m.

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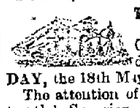
For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 901

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.



The Co.'s Steamship *Chingtu*, Captain INNES, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 18th May, at 3 p.m.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for Return by Steamers of the Eastern and Australian S. S. Co., and *vice versâ*.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 23, 1897. 812

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR HAVRE, HAMBURG AND LONDON, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Anfenor*, Captain JACKSON, will be despatched as above on or about THURSDAY, the 27th Instant.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 893

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship *Arratoon Apcar*, Capt. K. H. SUNDBERG, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 8th May, at 3 p.m.

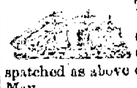
For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 897

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* STRAITS AND USUAL PORTS OF CALL.
(*Taking Cargo at through rates for* GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)



The Co.'s Steamship *Kintuck*, Commander, C. DE LA PERRELLE, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 10th May.

For Freight, etc., apply to

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 908

Mails.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RAILWAY COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, $400.

Excellent accommodation. First class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, $350.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA, $225.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Pathan	2,709	Wesday	May 5.
Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday	May 25.
Victoria	3,167	Tuesday	June 15.
Olympia	2,608	Tuesday	July 6.
Pathan	2,709	Tuesday	July 27.

THE Steamship *PATHAN*, sailing at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th May, will proceed to VICTORIA, (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.), *via* KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1897. 882

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NOTICE

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday...	May 25.
Preussen	Tuesday ...	June 22.
Sachsen	Tuesday ...	July 20.
Bayern	Tuesday ...	August 17.
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday....	Sept. 14.
Preussen	Tuesday ...	October 12.
Sachsen	Tuesday ...	November 9.
Bayern	Tuesday ...	December 7.
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday ...	January 4.

ON TUESDAY, the 25th day of May, 1897, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *PRINZ HEINRICH*, Captain O. CUPPERS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 22nd May, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 24th May, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY, the 24th May. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1897. 879

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, *VIA* THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and H'lulu)	TUESDAY, May 11, at noon.
Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and H'lulu)	SATURDAY, May 29, at noon.
Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)	THURSDAY, June 17, at Noon.

THE Steamship *COPTIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 11th May, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 23 1897. 811

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)....	THURSDAY, May 20, at noon.
City of Peking (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	TUESDAY, June 8, at noon.
China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & H'lulu)....	SATURDAY, June 26, at noon.

THE U.S. Mail S.S. *CITY OF RIO DEJANEIRO* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 20th May, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

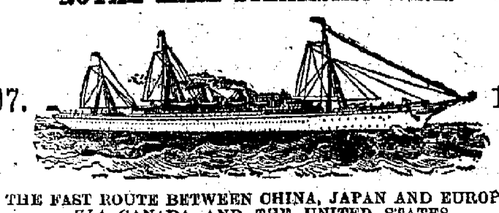
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, May 3, 1897. 908

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

1897.  1897.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, *VIA* CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.
(*Calling at* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)
SAFETY—SPEED—PUNCTUALITY.
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. H. PYBUS, R.N.R.....Wednesday, 19th May/97.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. ARCHIBALD, R.N.R...Wednesday, 9th June/97.
EMPRESS OF INDIA....Comdr. O. P. MARSHALL, R.N.R..Wednesday, 30th June/97.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers booked through to all principal points AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TOUR TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to

D. E. BROWN, *General Agent,*
PEDDER STREET.

Hongkong, April 29, 1897. 861

C. P. R. SUMMER TRIPS.

SPECIAL ROUND TRIP RATES TO JAPAN, VANCOUVER, AND BANFF.

Commencing 1st May, and continuing through the Summer, Return Tickets can be purchased to Banff, including Berth in Sleeping Car and Meals on the Railway journey from Vancouver, at the equivalent of £60. The Ports of Call are SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., and VANCOUVER, and permission is granted to STOP-OVER at any Port and continue by a subsequent Steamer. Every facility is offered for breaking the journey at any intermediate places in British Columbia to make excursions into the Rocky Mountains.

BANFF.—This popular resort, charmingly situated amongst the Peaks and Glaciers of the Rocky Mountains, in the Canadian National Park, is justly celebrated for its natural Hot Sulphur and Mineral Springs, magnificent scenery, and clear, invigorating air. The large and well-appointed Hotel stands 4,500 feet above sea level, providing its guests with all modern comforts and luxuries, also a steam-launch, rowing boats and canoes for making excursions on the river and numerous lakes in the vicinity, where excellent fishing and shooting is obtainable. 671

Mails.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE S.S. *MIRZAPORE*, Captain J. F. JEPHSON, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 6th May, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed viâ Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, April 22, 1897. 809

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX;

ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 12th May, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *YANGTSE*, Captain LIDIN, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, without Transhipment.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 11th May. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Package are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 29, 1897. 865

SIEN TING,
Surgeon Dentist,
No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.
Consultation Free.

Hongkong, April 1, 1897. 696

Intimations.

THOMAS'S GRILL ROOM.

THIS Establishment has undergone extensive alterations. The DINING ROOM being now upstairs, and a Large BILLIARD ROOM (having Two NEW BURROUGH and WATIS' TABLES) being added to the Hotel.

A French Chef having been engaged the Cuisine will be second to none.

ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNERS.

Entrances:—Ice House Lane, Queen's Road, and Duddell Street.

FREDERICK BISHOP,
Manager,
THOMAS' GRILL ROOM.

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PEAK HOTEL.

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS Commodious and Well-appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, has just been thoroughly re-decorated, renovated and re-furnished, and a NEW WING has been built, which commands magnificent Views of the Harbour and mainland of China.

For further Particulars, apply to

THE MANAGER,
New Victoria Hotel.

Hongkong, November 24, 1896. 725

WINDSOR HOTEL, HONGKONG.

THIS ESTABLISHMENT, situated in the elegant Building known as 'CONNAUGHT HOUSE,' offers First-Class Accommodation to Residents and Travellers.

Passenger Elevator, from Entrance Hall to each Floor, in charge of experienced Attendant.

Favourable Arrangements made for Families and for Monthly or Extended Periods.

P. BOHM,
Proprietor and Manager.

Hongkong, November 24, 1894. 1907

NEW VICTORIA HOTEL.

ROTISSERIE,

Meals a la Carte.

CHOPS, STEAKS, etc., etc., at any time, between 7.30 a.m. and 11.30 p.m.

Monthly Boarders at Moderate Rates.

Madar & Farmer,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, September 3, 1896. 1786

Insurances.

UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

(*Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne A.D. 1714*).

CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £450,000.
CAPITAL PAID UP, £180,000.
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEED £2,900,000.
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £850,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS of the above Society in Hongkong, are prepared to issue POLICIES against FIRE on the usual terms.

HARRY WICKING & Co.,
Praya Central.

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NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1895, £12,433,131.

Authorised Capital	£3,000,000.0.0
Subscribed Capital	£2,750,000.0.0
Paid up Capital	£687,500.0.0
Fire Funds	£2,601,016.2.9

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 30, 1896. 1847

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, May 1, 1897.
At 1020 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

		Price. Highest. Cash.	Price. Lowest. Cash.	Chinese Names.
Butcher Meat.				肉食
Bacon, English,	lb.	—	—	來路烟猪肉
„ Ame. Sugar cured	„	340	—	花旗烟猪肉
„ Foochow,	„	220	—	福州烟猪肉
„ Japan, cured	„	240	—	日本烟猪肉
Beef sirloin & prime cut	catty	140	—	尾龍扒
„ Corned,	catty	140	—	鹹牛肉
„ Roast,	„	130	—	燒牛肉
„ Soup,	„	100	—	湯肉
„ Steak,	„	120	—	牛肉絆
Bullock's Brains,	per set	60	50	牛腦
„ Tongue fresh,	each	260	—	牛腳
„ „ corned	„	310	—	鹹牛利
„ Head,	„	500	—	牛頭
„ Heart,	„	150	—	牛心
„ Hump, Salt	catty	140	—	牛肩
„ Feet,	each	60	50	牛蹄
„ Kidneys,	„	50	—	牛腰
„ Tail,	„	100	—	牛尾
„ Liver,	catty	70	—	牛肝
„ Tripe (undressed)	catty	60	50	牛肚
Calves Head and Feet,	set	500	—	牛仔頭脚
Hams, American,	lb.	340	—	花旗火腿
„ Chinese,	„	—	—	金華火腿
„ English, New,	„	440	—	來路火腿
„ Japan cured,	„	280	—	日本火腿
„ Shanghai,	„	260	—	上海火腿
Mutton Chop,	„	160	—	羊排骨
„ Leg,	„	160	—	羊眺
„ Shoulder,	„	120	—	羊手
Pigs' Chitlings,	catty	70	60	猪腸
„ Feet,	„	110	—	猪脚
„ Fry,	„	160	—	猪雜
„ Head,	each	500	450	猪頭
„ Heart,	„	50	40	猪心
„ Kidneys,	pair	70	—	猪腰
„ Liver,	lb.	160	—	猪肝
Pork, Chop,	catty	180	—	猪排骨
„ Corned,	„	—	—	鹹猪肉
„ Leg,	„	190	—	猪眺
„ Fat or Lard,	„	150	—	猪油
Sheeps' Head and Feet,	set	350	—	羊頭脚
„ Heart,	each	50	40	羊心
„ Kidneys,	„	70	—	羊腰
„ Liver,	lb.	150	140	羊肝
Sucking Pigs,	each	$1.75	$1.25	猪仔
Suet, Beef,	lb.	110	—	生牛油
„ Mutton,	„	100	—	生羊油
Veal,	catty	130	—	牛仔肉
Poultry.				生口
Chicken,	catty	210	—	雞仔
Capons,	„	230	—	閹雞
Ducks,	„	160	—	鴨
„	each	150	—	鴨
Geese,	each	120	—	鵝
Eggs, Hen	doz.	110	—	雞蛋
„ Duck	„	110	—	鴨蛋
Fowls,	catty	190	—	雞
Geese,	„	150	—	鵝
Hares,	each	—	—	兎仔
Musk Deer,	„	—	—	麝香獐
Partridges,	„	—	—	鷓鴣
Pigeons,	„	180	—	白鴿
Pheasant,	brace	—	—	上海山鷄
Rice Birds,	doz.	—	—	禾花雀
Quail	each	140	—	鶉
Snipe,	„	—	—	沙鷄
Turkeys, Cock,	catty	400	—	火鷄公
„ Hen,	„	350	—	火鷄母
Teal,	each	450	—	水鴨
Wild Ducks,	pair	—	—	上海水鴨
Fish.				海鮮
Barbel,	catty	110	—	鯉魚
Bream,	„	80	—	鯛魚
Bombay Ducks,	100 pieces	230	—	孟味魚
C'ton Fresh Water Fish,	catty	—	—	廣東魚
Carp,	„	100	—	鯉魚
Catfish,	„	—	—	鯰魚
Codfish, Salt,	„	80	—	鹹鱈魚
Crabs,	„	160	—	蟹
Cuttle Fish,	„	80	—	墨魚
Dab,	„	60	—	沙瑯魚
Dace,	„	90	—	黃尾鰭
Dog Fish,	„	—	—	鯊倒沙
Eels, Congor,	„	—	—	海鰻
„ Fresh water,	„	200	—	淡水鰻
Eels, Yellow,	„	180	—	黃鰻
File Fish,	„	—	—	銼皮洋
Frogs,	„	150	—	田鷄
Fresh Fish,	„	80	—	鮮魚
Garoupe,	„	200	—	石斑
Gudgeon,	„	90	—	白鱎魚
Gurnard,	„	80	—	紅角
Herrings,	„	100	—	鯡白
„ smoked	box	—	—	鯡黃
Halibut,	catty	110	—	比目魚
Labrus,	„	180	—	雙花魚
Loach,	„	130	—	烏鱧
Lobsters,	„	110	—	龍蝦
Mackerel,	„	—	—	鯖魚
Monk Fish,	„	—	—	白鱇
Mullet,	„	110	—	烏魚
Oysters,	„	140	—	蠔
Parrotfish,	„	110	—	鸚哥魚
Perch,	„	90	—	鱸
Pike,	catty	—	—	花鱸
Plaice,	„	—	—	鯽魚
Pomfret, White	„	160	—	白鯧
Pomfret, Black	„	110	—	黑鯧
Prawns,	„	210	—	明蝦
Ray,	„	50	—	琵琶沙
Rock Fish,	„	70	—	石狗公
Roach,	„	—	—	鯊魚
Salmon, (Canton),	„	120	—	馬友魚
Shark,	„	50	—	鯊魚
Salt Fish,	„	100	—	鹹魚
Skate,	„	50	—	鮲魚
Shrimps,	„	140	—	蝦
Snapper,	„	160	—	立魚
Soles,	„	140	—	龍沙魚
Tench,	„	—	—	鯇魚
Turbot,	„	110	—	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,	„	250	—	麻鱉
Whiting,	catty	70	—	長鱼
White Bait,	„	90	—	鰱魚仔
Fruits.				菓子
Apples, (California),	catty	350	—	金山平菓
„ (Tientsin),	„	—	—	天津平菓
„ (Japan),	„	250	—	日本平菓
Bananas, fragrant,	„	40	—	白蕉香蕉
„ (brides),	„	50	—	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,	„	100	—	栗
Carambola,	„	100	—	楊桃
Cocoanuts,	each	70	—	椰子
Ground Nuts,	catty	90	—	花生
Grapes,	„	170	—	鮮葡萄
Lemons, China,	„	100	—	檸檬
„ Peel,	„	—	—	橘餅
Lichees, Dried,	„	260	—	荔枝乾
„ Fresh,	„	—	—	荔枝
Limes,	„	—	—	檸檬
Mango, (Saigon),	each	50	—	安南芒菓
„ (Manila),	„	80	—	呂宋芒
Mangosteen,	dozen	250	—	山竹子
Oranges, Sweet,	catty	120	—	新會甜橙
„ Green,	„	90	—	青橙
„ Red,	„	—	—	紅桔
Olives,	„	80	—	白欖
Pine-apples,	each	60	—	本地波羅
Pears,	catty	100	—	沙梨
„ (Tientsin),	„	140	—	天津雪梨
Plum, Red,	„	60	—	紅李
Pumelo,	each	90	—	柚
„ (Siam),	catty	110	—	暹羅柚
Peach, (Sweet),	„	—	—	桃
Raisins, Muscatel,	„	—	—	葡萄乾
„ Pudding,	„	—	—	葡萄
Water Chesnuts, com.	„	40	—	馬蹄
„ Mandarin,	„	50	—	桂林馬蹄
Walnuts,	„	130	—	合桃
Vegetables, &c.				菜蔬
Artichokes, Shanghai,	catty	60	—	上海丫洲竹
Beans, (French),	„	50	—	荷蘭豆
„ Long,	„	—	—	豆角
Beet Root,	each	30	—	紅菜頭
Brinjals, Green,	catty	—	—	青茄
„ Red,	„	40	—	紅茄
Brassica,	„	30	—	白菜
Bamboo Shoots,	„	90	—	竹筍
Cabbage, Chinese com.	„	20	—	芹菜
Cabbage, Shanghai,	each	60	—	菜
Cauliflower,	„	140	120	椰菜花
Carrots,	catty	50	—	金笋
Celery, Chinese,	„	40	—	芹菜
„ English,	„	70	—	芹菜
Chillies Dried,	„	130	—	辣椒
„ Red,	„	400	—	紅辣椒
Curry Stuff, English,	„	40	—	咖喱精粉
Cucumbers,	„	20	—	黃瓜
Bitter Squash,	„	120	—	苦瓜
Garlic,	„	40	—	蒜頭
Ginger, young,	„	50	—	新子薑
Horse Radish, S'hai,	„	120	—	辣根
Indian Corn,	„	—	—	玉米
Lettuce, (English),	each	10	—	萵生菜
Mushrooms, Fresh,	catty	—	—	生蘑菇
Onions, Bombay,	„	60	—	洋葱頭
„ Green,	„	30	—	蔥
„ Shanghai,	„	—	—	上海蔥頭
„ Japan,	„	40	—	日本蔥頭
Okroes,	„	140	—	秋葵
Parsley, English,	bundle	10	—	洋芫荽
Potatoes, Sweet,	catty	20	—	番薯仔
„ Shanghai,	„	—	—	上海番仔
„ Japan,	„	—	—	日本番仔
„ American,	„	—	—	花旗番仔
„ Foochow,	„	30	—	福州番仔
„ Macao,	„	30	—	澳門番仔
Pumpkin,	„	20	—	冬瓜
Puraline,	„	—	—	番仔菜
Papaw,	„	25	20	木瓜
Radish,	dozen	20	—	紅蘿白仔
Rice, best quality, per picul,		$4.50		上白米
„ Common „ „		$4.10		中白米
Shalots,	catty	40	—	蔥頭
Spinage, (Chinese)	„	—	—	菠菜
Spinach,	„	30	—	菠菜
Snake Gourd,	„	40	—	蛇瓜
Tomatoes,	„	80	—	蕃茄
Taro,	„	20	15	芋頭
Turnips, Punti, (Long),	„	20	—	蘿白
Vegetable Marrow,	„	—	—	節瓜
„ „ (Long),	„	—	—	長節瓜
Water Cresses,	„	40	—	西洋菜

WM. MACDONALD,
Assistant Inspector of Markets.

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

London, April 4.—Cambridge won the toss for choice of positions, and selected the Middlesex side. The light blues got away with the lead at the start, but failed to maintain it for any distance, as at Clasper's Oxford was half a length ahead. The mile was covered in 3 minutes 55 seconds. The dark blues, who were rowing a strong stroke, gradually forged ahead, and shot Hammersmith Bridge with a lead of a clear length, the time at this point being 7 minutes 20 seconds. At Chiswick Eyot Oxford had increased its advantage to two lengths, and passed Barnes Bridge three lengths ahead. The light blues now began to show signs of distress. They however made several gallant spurts, but were quite outclassed. Oxford won easily, the time for the full course being 19 minutes 12 seconds.

NARROW ESCAPE OF LORD LOCH.

Lord Loch has had a narrow escape from a serious accident. He was being driven along Parliament-street in a hansom when the horse bolted and dashed towards Whitehall Club. Lord Loch leaped out of the vehicle a moment before it came to a complete smash.

THE JESUIT LAW IN GERMANY.

The German Reichstag has adopted a motion in favour of the abrogation of the law relating to Jesuits.

[In consequence of the activity of the Jesuit order on behalf of the Papal supremacy, a bill for its expulsion from Germany was passed in June, 1872, and was promulgated on the 5th July of the same year.]

LIBELLING AN ACTRESS.

April 6.—The *St. James's Budget* recently published a statement alleging that Miss Marion Terry, the well-known actress, was about to marry her brother-in-law. Miss Terry brought an action for libel against the paper, and was to-day awarded £500 damages.

THE BRITISH NAVY.

April 9.—At the annual meeting of the Institution of Naval Architects yesterday Lord Charles Beresford stated that it was possible to convert 17 of the older-pattern ironclads in the navy so as to render them effective at a cost equal to the amount that would be required for the construction of a line-of-battle ship and a cruiser.

OBITUARY.

April 3.—The death is announced of Dr Von Stephan, the German Secretary of State for Posts and Telegraphs.

A JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT.

Mr John Stratford Dugdale, Q.C., Recorder of Birmingham, has been appointed to succeed Sir Arthur Charles as one of the Justices of the Queen's Bench Division.

THE U. S. NAVY DEPARTMENT.

Mr G. W. Smalley, New York correspondent of the *Times*, telegraphs that Mr Roosevelt has been appointed Assistant Secretary to the United States Navy. The new Assistant Secretary is an extreme 'jingo.'

THE FLOODS IN THE UNITED STATES.

The United States Congress has assigned 200,000 dol. for the relief of the sufferers by the disastrous floods in the valley of the Mississippi.

POLITICAL CRISIS IN AUSTRIA.

April 3.—A telegram from Vienna states that Count Casimir Badeni, the Premier and Minister for the Interior in the Austrian Cabinet, has resigned. It is understood that the resignation of Count Badeni is due to the fact that he is unable to control the conflicting groups in the Cabinet. The Emperor refused to accept his resignation.

BRITISH FOOD SUPPLIES IN TIME OF WAR.

April 7.—In the House of Commons last night a motion was adopted directing the attention of the Government to the question of food supplies for Great Britain in the event of war. Mr H. Seton-Karr, M.P. for St. Helens, suggested the establishment of an Imperial Zollverein with the view of promoting food supplies from the colonies, and also the formation of State granaries. Mr A. J. Balfour replied that the creation of an Imperial Zollverein would not touch the difficulty of blockade of the coast. He was fairly confident that Britain could meet any possible combination, and with the aid of the United States they could meet the world.

CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

April 9.—The Canadian House of Commons has unanimously passed the second reading of the Alien Labour Bill, a facsimile of the Alien Labour Act passed by the United States Congress, which was introduced into the Dominion House of Commons as a reprisal for the harshness of the American Act towards Canadian workmen. Mr Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier, said that Caneda was unwilling to retaliate against the United States, but was compelled to do so, and for this reason the American form of legislation had been adopted.

A DIVORCE SUIT.

April 3.—In the Divorce Court to-day a decree nisi was granted against Miss Kate Vaughan, the well-known burlesque actress, of the Gaiety Company, on the ground of her adultery with Mr Lethcourt, another member of the company.

THE MAYORALTY OF VIENNA.

Dr. Lueger, the leader of the Anti-Semitic party in Austria, has again been elected Burgomaster of Vienna by a large majority.

[The municipal elections in Vienna in September, 1895, resulted in a great victory for the Anti-Semitic party, and Dr Lueger was for the second time elected Burgomaster. As on the first occasion, however, the Emperor refused to confirm Dr Lueger's election, and the council was dissolved. Dr Lueger was subsequently received in audience by the Emperor, when it was arranged that he should retire from the Mayoralty, taking the post of Deputy-Burgomaster.]

BRITISH CRIMINAL LAW AMENDMENT BILL.

April 9.—In the House of Commons last night the second reading of the Criminal Law Amendment Bill was carried. The measure entitles prisoners to give evidence in their own behalf, and allows a wife or a husband to be called to give compulsory evidence against either party in a criminal case. The provisions of the bill will apply to England and Scotland. Mr J. Lloyd-Morgan, M.P. for West Carmarthen, and Mr E. Carson, Q.C., M.P. for Dublin University, opposed the bill. Sir Edward Clarke, Q.C., M.P. for Plymouth, who supported the measure, said that it would be the means of removing the last remaining relics of barbarism.

THE SENSATIONAL MURDERS IN AUSTRALIA.

April 3.—Butler has made an attempt to commit suicide while in his prison cell at San Francisco. Hearing a peculiar noise in the cell some of the warders went to ascertain the cause of it. They discovered Butler resting with his arms on the table and nearly covered with blankets. His face was covered with blood, and it was found that with his thumb nail he had made a ragged incision near the temporal artery. Medical assistance was procured, and under the treatment of the doctors the man recovered. The doctors state that the wound would have been serious if Butler had correctly located the temporal artery. Increased vigilance is being exercised by the prison authorities.

April 5.—A telegram from San Francisco states that Butler has sailed for Sydney in the Union Company's steamer Mariposa. A few days since Butler confessed that he killed Preston, but only in self-defence. He has since made a further statement. After he had killed Preston, he says, he became very frightened and concealed the body, because he had no witness that he had acted in self-defence. With regard to Lee Weller, Butler says that he committed suicide through grief at the death of his wife. He (Butler) wished to notify the authorities of the suicide, but his comrades declined, fearing that they might be detained as witnesses.

THE TRANSVAAL RAID ENQUIRY.

April 2.—The committee appointed to inquire into the circumstances of the Transvaal Raid sat again to-day. Sir John Willoughby who a few days ago completed his term of 10 months' imprisonment to which he was sentenced for the share he took in the Jameson raid, was examined by the committee. He declined to state what was the substance of a private letter sent to the War Office. Mr. Labouchere described the proceedings of the committee as a farce, and complained that the committee was hushing up everything.

April 3.—In the course of his examination Sir John Willoughby admitted that he told the officers of Dr Jameson's force that neither the War Office nor the Imperial Government, nor even the British South Africa Company, would 'bother' if the raid proved successful.

April 6.—Sir John Willoughby was further examined to-day. When first called Sir John declined to state the substance of a private letter sent by him to the War Office. To-day the War Office authorities produced the letter. It stated that the officers went to the Transvaal because Dr Jameson ordered them, asserting that the Imperial authorities assented. Sir John Willoughby declined to reveal statements made by Dr Jameson, alleging that they were private. The committee advised Sir John Willoughby to reconsider his determination, and has decided to recall Dr Jameson.

THE APPROACHING CATACLYSM IN SOUTH AFRICA.

London, April 2.—Dr W. J. Leyds, the Transvaal Secretary for State, who succeeds M. Beelaerts van Blokland as Minister Plenipotentiary to Germany and Holland, has left Natal, en route for Capetown, whence he will take his departure for Europe.

April 3.—The claim preferred by the Transvaal Executive against the British Government for damages in respect of the Jameson raid includes £462,120 as compensation for the 'commandeered' force of burghers. This sum is exclusive of £136,734 for the services of the burghers while under command and £1,000,000 for 'moral damage' to the Transvaal.

In the House of Commons last night Sir Charles Dilke urged upon the Government the necessity for taking steps to convene an international conference with the view of enforcing a better treatment of the natives of Africa by the European nations concerned. Mr G. N. Curzon replied that the Government was parleying with the other European Powers interested with the object of convening a conference upon African affairs. He denied that the Royal Niger Company was exercising an illegal monopoly in West Africa, or that it was violating the terms of the Brussels or Berlin agreements.

April 6.—Sir J. Gordon Sprigg, the Premier of Cape Colony, stated in the course of a speech last night that the policy of the Imperial Government with regard to South Africa was considered satisfactory by the Cape Government.

April 7.—Sir J. Gordon Sprigg has declined to produce in the Cape Parliament letters which had passed between the Government of Cape Colony and the Imperial Government on the subject of the closing of the 'Drifts' on the Vaal River in 1895 by the Transvaal authorities. The production of the correspondence, he explained, would not tend to promote peace.

The *Manchester Guardian* states that the Government is prepared in the event of war to send an army corps to the Cape under the command of General Sir Redvers Buller, V.C.

April 8.—A telegram has been received from South Africa stating that 1500 tons of artillery and war material have been landed at Delagoa Bay, in Portuguese South-east Africa.

Reports from Delagoa Bay state that 25,000 natives of Gazaland, in the province of Lourenco Marquez, have broken out into open rebellion at a place 40 miles from the Transvaal border. The Portuguese troops in the territory are being mobilised with the view of suppressing the revolt.

[Gazaland is a large territory in South-east Africa. The greater part of it lies within the Portuguese sphere of influence, but the fertile districts of North-west Gazaland belong to the British possessions. The native inhabitants consist of various Bantu tribes, and chiefly engage in pastoral pursuits.]

Advices from South Africa state that sharp fighting has taken place in Bechuanaland between the volunteers and the rebel natives under the chief Galishwe. The volunteers attacked the rebels in the Langeburg Range. On the side of the volunteers Lieutenant Harris was killed, and six troopers were wounded. The natives lost heavily.

April 9.—President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, has had his attention drawn to a telegram which has been published stating that the Orange Free State was hostile to Great Britain. The President ignored the telegram as being beneath his notice.

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THE wittiest translation of 'Een kwasi vrouw' appears in the Oxford University magazine, the *Isis*, in which a writer suggests 'Victoria Cross' as the correct rendering of the much-disputed words.

Hongkong Tides.

The Tide Table given below has been compiled by the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the results of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. 7 in., and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

5th to 11th May.

Day of Week	Day of Month	High Water, Hongkong Mean Time.	High Water, Height.	Low Water, Hongkong Mean Time.	Low Water, Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
Wed.	5	m 0 1	1 10	m 8 50	1 8
		m 10 17	6 1	6 0 a	—1 3
Thur.	6	m 1 14	1 7	m 4 0	1 6
		m 10 48	5 0	8 59 a	—1 1
Fri.	7	No inferior	high-water.	nor low-water.	
		m 11 26	4 11	7 05 a	—0 11
Sat.	8	No inferior	high-water.	nor low-water.	
		0 9 a	4 8	8 50 a	—0 9
Sun.	9	No inferior	high-water.	nor low-water.	
		1 13 a	4 8	9 45 a	—0 7
Mon.	10	No inferior	high-water.	nor low-water.	
		2 30 a	4 11	10 36 a	—0 6
Tues.	11	m 3 34	5 3	m 9 35	—1 1
		4 45 a	5 7	11 17 a	—0 4

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Steamers.								
Airlie	5 c	Ellis	Brit. str.	2400	May 3	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
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Daphne	5 c	Samuelsen	Ger. str.	1291	April 30	Siemssen & Co.	Vladivostock	7th inst.
Devawongse	...	Curtis	Brit. str.	1015	April 29	Yuen Fat Hong		Ap'deen Dock
Esmeralda	3 c	Taylor	Brit. str.	966	May 2	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Manila	To-morrow
Formosa	5 h	Robson	Brit. str.	674	May 2	Douglas Steamship Co.	Swatow, &c.	To-morrow
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Archer	cruiser 3rd class	1770	16	3500	Comd. C. J. Kingsmill	Manila
Centurion*	twinscrew battle ship	10,500	41	13,000	Captain Spencer H. Login	Hongkong
Daphne	sloop	1150	16	2000	Commander Galloway	On a cruise
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	9	200	Lt.-Com. Chadwick	Ichang
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	6	360	Lieut.-Com. Vernon Maud	Hongkong
Grafton†	twin-screw cruiser, 1st class	7350	36	12,000	Captain E. P. Jones	Shanghai
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	4000	Lieut. A. Gillespie	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	4000	Lieut. H. F. Shakespear	Hongkong
Humber	storeship	1640	—	860	Commander F. W. Wyley	Yokohama
Immortalité	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	34	8500	Captain Edward Chichester	Chemulpo
Iphigenia	cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	900	Capt. H. T. Dudding	Singapore
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Name.	*Flag and Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Guns.*	*H.P.*	*Captain.*	*Where at.*
Admiral Kornieloff	Russian cruiser	1510	32	6060	Captain Molas	Chefoo
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian cruiser	7781	32	9500	Captain Kasherininoff	Nagasaki
Africa	Portuguese transport	1993	—	—	Capt. Antonio Sergio de Souza	Macao
Aleout	Russian gunboat	816	2	780	Captain Pereneje	Vladivostock
Arcona	German cruiser	2600	18	2400	Captain Becker	Yokohama
Argos	Spanish gunboat	508	2	600	Commander R. Cabezas	Manila
Aspic	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Journet	Bangkok
Bayard	French flagship	6010	26	4400	Commander Fortin	Saigon
Bengo	Portuguese gunboat	462	5	400	Capt. A. T. Da Costa e Silva	Macao
Bobre	Russian sloop	950	13	1150	Captain Molas	Nagasaki
Boston	U. S. cruiser	3000	8	3500	Captain F. Wildes	Nagasaki
Castilla	Spanish cruiser	3160	22	2690	Capt. A. Martin de Oliva	Manila
Cebu	Spanish troopship	532	2	600	Lieut. A. Barrera	Manila
Comete	French gunboat	495	4	500	Capt. Simon	Shanghai
Cormoran	German cruiser	1640	8	2800	Capt. Brussatis	Nagasaki
Descartes	French cruiser	4010	22	—	Capt. Bernard	en route
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	2200	16	5400	Capt. Reiter	Singapore
Dimitri Donskoi	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Witthoft	Chemulpo
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1200	13	1523	Com. E. Robion	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Commander J. de la Concha	Manila
Eclaireur	French cruiser	1658	8	2050	Capt. Texier	Hongkong
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Koningin Wilhelmina	Nederland cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. W. J. Derx	Yokohama
Korojets	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Capt. Lindestroem	Yokohama
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1330	13	1200	Capt. Beklemisheff	Nagasaki
Lion	French gunboat	500	6	500	Lieutenant Gauchet	Saigon
Machias	U. S. cruiser	1200	16	1600	Commander Mackenzie	Corea
Manila	Spanish transport	1910	2	750	Lieut.-Com. J. J. Ozamis	Manila
Manchur	Russian sloop	1200	9	1400	Commander Andruff	Shanghai
Marques del Duero	Spanish gunboat	500	5	550	Lt.-Com. S. Morens de Guerra	Manila
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	8	850	Com. O. W. Farenholt	Tientsin
Olympia	U. S. flagship	5800	14	13,600	Captain J. J. Read	Yokohama
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	12	2000	Captain Radloff	Nagasaki
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6060	33	8000	Captain Vreenius	Nagasaki
Panther	Austrian cruiser	1640	10	—	Commander Koppel	Amoy
Pascal	French cruiser	4600	30	—	———	en route
Pinvier	French gunboat	545	8	450	Lieut.-Commander Vidal	Bangkok
Prinzess Wilhelm	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Captain Thiele	Yokohama
Reina Cristina	Spanish cruiser	3090	19	4800	Capt. L. Cadarso	Manila
Rurik	Russian flagship	11,500	48	13,500	Comdr. Rodionoff	Nagasaki
Silatch	Russian gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Baranoff	Vladivostock
Sivoutch	Russian cruiser	950	13	1120	Captain Artomoff	Vladivostock
Surprise	French gunboat	—	—	—	———	en route
Velasco	Spanish gunboat	1152	7	1600	Commander F. Reboul	Manila
Vipere	French gunboat	480	4	425	Commander Journet	Bangkok
Vsadnik	Russian gunboat	500	9	5500	Capt. Rosalia	Nagasaki
Yorktown	U. S. cruiser	1700	16	3600	Commander Zeeburg	Nagasaki
Zabijaka	Russian cruiser	1220	12	1470	Commander Vandeskroff	Nagasaki

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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.—MAY 4, 1897.

Stocks.	*No. of Shares.*	*Value.*	*Paid-up.*	*Closing Quotations, Cash.*
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	50,000	$ 125	all	177 prem. = $346.25, sales
Bank of China & Japan, Limited } preference shares }	30,950	£ 5	£ 5	nom. [and buyers
,, ordinary ,,	189,875	£ 8	£ 2.10	nom.
,, deferred ,,	1,250	£ 1	£ 1	£5, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	...	£ 10	£ 8	£22½, sellers
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$185, buyers
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$78, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	5,000	£ 100	£ 25	Tls. 188, sales and buyers
Straits Insurance Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 100	$ 20	$19½, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$230, sellers
Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 60	$165
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	$ 20	$101, sales and buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	8,000	$ 250	$ 50	$350, sales and sellers
DOCKS.				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	12,500	$ 125	all	246 % prem. = $432.50
STEAMBOATS.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	5,000	$ 50	all	$60, sales and buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$63, buyers
HK. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$ 15	$ 15	$35½, sales and sellers
Indo-Chine S. N. Company, Limited	60,000	£ 10	all	$47½, sales and buyers
China Mutual S. N. Co.	20,000	£ 10	£ 10	£7, buyers
			£ 10	£5.10
Do. (new issue).	20,000	£ 10	£ 5	£2.5
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	all	$137, sales
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	$ 100	all	$47½, sales
WHARVES.				
HK. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	20,000	$ 50	all	$65, sales and sellers
Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited.	2,600	$ 100	$ 37½	$43¾, sales
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	$ 50	$78, sales and buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company;	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$16
Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co.	25,400	$ 10	all	$8¾, sales and sellers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 40	$19¾
TRAMWAYS.				
HK. High-Level Tramways Co., Ld.	1,250	$ 100	all	$97½, sales
MINING.				
Jelebu Mining & Trading Co., Ld.	40,000	$ 5	all	$2.25, sales and sellers
Punjom Mining Co., Ld.	60,000	$ 4	all	$7½, buyers
Société Francaise des Charbonnages du Tonkin.	12,000	Fcs. 500	all	$80, sales and buyers
New Balmoral Gold M'ing Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 1	all	$1.50, sales
,, ,, Preference shares	75,000	$ 1		$1.75, sales and buyers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,0000	£ 1	13/10	$18¾, sales and sellers
Olivers Freehold Mines, Ltd.	A 15,000	$ 5	$ 5	$17, sellers
	B 20,000	$ 5	$ 2½	$6¼, sales and sellers
PLANTING, ETC.	25,000	$ 5	$ 1	—
China-Borneo Company, Ld.	7,500	$ 100	$ 55	nom.
H. G. Brown & Co., Limited. in liq.	6,000	$ 50	all	in liq.
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Lt.	12,000	$ 50	all	$38, buyers
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	60,000	$ 10	all	$12½, sales and buyers
Dakin, Cruickshank & Co., Ld. in Liq.	50,000	$ 5